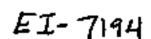
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Section of Environmental Analysis Surface Transportation Board 395 E. Street, S.W, Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: Docket No. AB-857 (Sub-No. 1), Great Western Railway of Colorado, LLC- Abandonment

Exemption - In Weld County, CO Corps File No. NWO-2G07-2567-DEN

Reference is made to the above-mentioned project located between rnilepost 0.0, at Johnstown and milepost 6.2, at Welty in Weld County, Colorado.

This project has been reviewed by Mi lerry McKee of my office m accordance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act under which the U.S Army Corps of Engineers regulates the discharge of dredged and fill material, and any excavation activity associated with a dredge and fill project in waters of the United States

Based on the information provided, a Department of the Army (DA-) Permit will not he required for work at this tsjtc. Although a DA Permit will not be required for the project, this does not eliminate the requirement that other applicable federal, state, and local permits be obtained as needed.

If there are any questions call Mr. Terry McKee of my office at 303-979-4120 and reference Corps File No, NWO-2007-3567-DEN.

Sincerely,

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